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Patrick S. Layng to Serve as U.S. Trustee for Colorado, Utah and Wyoming

WASHINGTON-Patrick S. Layng, the U.S. Trustee for the Northern District of Illinois and the Eastern and Western Districts of Wisconsin (Region 11), has been designated by Attorney General Eric Holder also to serve as the U.S. Trustee for Colorado, Utah and Wyoming (Region 19) for an interim period beginning today, the Executive Office for U.S. Trustees announced today. He replaces Richard A. Wieland, who has served as interim U.S. Trustee in the region since July 2011.

Mr. Layng was appointed as Region 11 U.S. Trustee in December 2010. Prior to that appointment, he served as a Regional Criminal Coordinator for the U.S. Trustee Program (USTP) for six years, an Assistant U.S. Attorney in the Northern District of Illinois for more than 14 years, and a law clerk to the Honorable Stanley J. Roszkowski, U.S. District Court, Northern District of Illinois (retired). During his career, Mr. Layng has tried approximately 40 federal criminal trials and argued 14 cases before the U.S. Court of Appeals for the Seventh Circuit. While serving in the USTP, he has also led multi-regional trial teams in complex civil cases involving improper actions by major financial institutions and professional firms. Mr. Layng received his law degree *cum laude* from the University of Illinois Urbana-Champaign Law School and his undergraduate degree *magna cum laude* from the University of Illinois Urbana-Champaign College of Commerce.

The USTP is the component of the Justice Department that protects the integrity of the bankruptcy system by overseeing case administration and litigating to enforce the bankruptcy laws. The USTP has 21 regions and 93 field office locations. Region 19 is headquartered in Denver with additional offices in Salt Lake City and Cheyenne, Wyoming.

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